

U.S.S.N. 09/815,981
DEJONG *et al.*
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The specification is amended to correct a minor error.

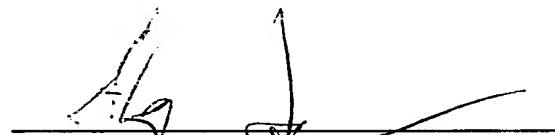
No new matter has been added.

Entry of this amendment and examination of the application are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: De Jong *et al.*
Serial No. : 09/815,981
Filed: March 22, 2001
For: METHOD FOR DELIVERING NUCLEIC
ACID MOLECULES INTO CELLS AND
ASSESSMENT THEREOF
Art Unit: Unassigned
Examiner: Unassigned

ATTACHMENT TO THE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
MARKED UP PARAGRAPHS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Entry of the following preliminary amendment is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up copy of the amended specification is attached to this Amendment):

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, lines 3-8, as follows:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is [a divisional of] related to the U.S. application Serial No. 09/815,979 [(attorney dkt. no. 24601-416)], to de Jong *et al.*, entitled "METHODS FOR DELIVERING NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES INTO CELLS AND ASSESSMENT THEREOF." The subject matter thereof is incorporated in its entirety by reference thereto.